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SUBJECT:SOUTH AFRICAN PARTICIPATION AT AMERICAN FEDERATION
OF TEACHERS CONVENTION

1. AMERICAN FEDERATION OF TEACHERS (AFT), AFL-CIO, CABLED TOM MASHININI, NATIONAL UNION OF CLOTHING WORKERS, JOHANNESBURG, JULY 27, ASKING HIM TO TRANSMIT AN INVITATION TO SIPRAN MAHLABA OF TRANSVAAL UNITED AFRICAN TEACHERS ASSOCIATION TO ATTEND AND ADDRESS THE AFT CONVENTION IN WASHINGTON, AUG. 21-25 AND VISIT LOCAL TEACHER UNIONS AUGUST 28-SEPTEMBER 2. PREPAID PANAM TICKET IS AVAILABLE AND AFT AND AALC ARE COVERING DOMESTIC TRAVEL AND PER DIEM. MAHLABA WAS ASKED TO CONFIRM ACCEPTANCE BY CABLE AND TO DEPART JOHANNESBURG AUG. 19 ARRIVING WASHINGTON AUG. 20.
 2. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN TOLD THAT MAHLABA POSSESSES A VALID PASSPORT AND SHOULD BE ABLE TO DEPART SA. HOWEVER, AMCONGEN
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AND EMBASSY ASSISTANCE WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF PROBLEMS
ARISE.

3. FYI: IT IS PLANNED FOR MAHLABA TO SPEAK AT A LUNCHEON MEETING AT WHICH HUMAN RIGHTS WILL BE THE TOPIC FOR DISCUSSION. END FYI. VANCE

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